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FOR P&C; USIA FOR IEU, IOR

G. KAPLAN, CYNTHIA. ECONOMIC POLICY AS IMPLEMENTED BY
SOVIET AND MINISTERIAL ORGANIS IN THE POST-WORLD WAR II
PERIOD. REQUESTED PLACEMENT AT ACADEMY OF SCIENCE INSTITUTE
IN MOSCOW (NOT POSSIBLE UNDER THIS EXCHANGE), PLACED AT LGU.

H. PLANSKY, PATRICIA. RUSSIAN WRITINGS ON THE
PACIFIC. REQUESTED MGU, PLACED AT LGU.

I. REMINGTON, THOMAS. POLITICAL REQUISITES OF
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, SOVIET STATE, AND INDEOLGO-
1917-1921. REQUESTED PLACEMENT AT ACADEMY OF SCIENCE
INSTITUTE IN MOSCOW (NOT POSSIBLE UNDER THIS EXCHANGE),
WAS PLACED AT LGU.

J. ROBINSON, LOGAN. SOVIET CRIMINAL LAW AND
CODIFICATION. REQUESTED MGU, GOT LGU.

K. THOMAS, MARIE. A SOCIAL HISTORY OF MUSCOVITE
CONVENTS IN SEVENTEENTH CENTURY. REQUESTED MGU
AND LGU, PLACES ONLY AT LGU.

L. TODES, DANIEL P. DEVELOPMENT OF MEDICAL SCIENCES
IN NINETEENTH CENTURY RUSSIA. REQUESTED MGU AND LGU
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BUT PLACED ONLY AT LGU.

M. TUTHILL, THOMAS S. DEVELOPMENT OF STYLISTIC AND
THEMATIC COMPONENTS OF THREE OLD CHURCH SLAVONIC WORKS
FROM TENTH CENTURY BEOHMIA. REQUESTED MGU, PLACED AT

LGU.

8. BASED ON OUR REVIEW OF THESE SCHOLARS' RESEARCH PROPOSALS, ARCHIVAL AND CONSULTATION NEEDS, AND WHAT MHE HAS INDICATED REGARDING KOMANDIROVKA VISITS, WE FEEL HALF THESE PLACEMENTS (BIRD, DICKERSON, FOLEY, HELGESON, KAPLAN, REMINGTON) MAY REFLECT SOVIET CONCERN OVER SENSITIVITY OF TOPICS AND RELUCTANCE TO SUPPORT RESEARCH. FACT THAT KAPLAN, REMINGTON REQUESTED PLACEMENTS NOT PROVIDED FOR UNDER TERMS OF THIS EXCHANGE OF COURSE LEFT WAY OPEN FOR MHE TO PLACE SCHOLARS WHERE IT WISHED. IREX SHOULD HAVE ADVISED THESE SCHOLARS TO REQUEST MGU AFFILIATION RATHER THAN AT ACADEMY INSTITUTES. IN CASES OF DICKERSON, FOLEY, KAPLAN, REMINGTON, WE BELIEVE WE CAN OFFER THEM SUBSTANTIAL ASSISTANCE DURING THEIR MOSCOW KOMANDIROVKA VISITS BY FACILITATING CONTACTS WITH SCHOLARS WE HAVE MET THROUGH VOLSPKR AND AMSPEC PROGRAMS. WE CAN, HOWEVER, ALSO CITE MOSCOW PLACEMENTS OF FIVE SCHOLARS (BLANK, DAVIS, FISHER, GRAY, SEMMLER) WHOSE TOPICS IN RECENT HISTORY, SOCIOLOGY, ECONOMICS, AND LAW WOULD HAVE MADE THEM LIKELY CANDIDATES FOR DIVERSION TO LENINGRAD IF THE SOVIETS WERE INDEED FOLLOWING A UNIFORM POLICY OF TRYING TO OBSTRUCT RESEARCH IN SENSITIVE TOPICS.

9. WHILE EMBASSY IS BASICALLY OPTIMISTIC THAT PLACEMENT SITUATION IS IMPROVING, FURTHER PROGRESS DEPENDS ON US SIDE CONTINUING TO PUSH IN DISCUSSIONS OF NEW CULTURAL PROGRAM AND IN FUTURE IREX-MHE PLACEMENT TALKS FOR MORE RESPONSIVENESS ON SOVIET SIDE TO AMERICAN SCHOLARS' PLACEMENT AND ARCHIVE REQUESTS, KEEPING IN MIND THAT NOT ALL SOVIET CANDIDATES UNDER GS/YF EXCHANGE ARE PLACED AT US INSTITUTIONS OF THEIR FIRST CHOICE. EMB SINGLES OUT RELATIONS WITH ARCHIVAL ADMINISTRATION AS NEXT AREA FOR CAREFUL ATTENTION FROM IREX IN ONGOING EFFORT TO IMPROVE CONDITIONS FOR SCHOLARS AND SUGGESTS THAT QUESTION OF HOW MHE AND ACADEMY RELATIONS TO ARCHIVAL LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
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ADMINISTRATION FUNCTION BE RAISED IN CONNECTION WITH DISCUSSIONS OF NEXT CULTURAL PROGRAM.

10. ONE CHEERY NOTE REPORTED RECENTLY BY MGU TO EMBOFFS: TATYANA NIKOLAYEVNA BELOVA, WHOSE INEFFICIENCIES AND LAZINESS PLAGUED AMERICAN JUNIOR SCHOLARS AND LECTURERS AT MGU FOR SEVERAL YEARS, HAS LEFT INOTDEL FOLLOWING IREX AND EMBASSY COMPLAINTS. NO REPLACEMENT NAMED YET BUT ALMOST ANYONE WOULD HAVE TO BE BETTER IN DAY-TO-DAY SUPPORT MATTERS FOR WHICH HER OFFICE WAS RESPONSIBLE. KASSOF TO BAZHANOV LETTER TRANSMITTED AS STATE 171646 ARRIVED AS THIS MESSAGE BEING TYPED. EMBASSY WILL DELIVER IT TO BAZHANOV SOONEST. LETTER

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